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THE BATTLE NEAR MUKDEN.

The war cables, though limited in detail, show clearly enough that a great battle is in progress and that the Japanese are winning. First, Oyama compelled the enemy to change his base; then Mukden was shelled; next a successful flanking movement occurred and a siege-bombardment of the Russian center followed. Monday's cables said that the Japanese had crossed the Shalke river and occupied Taling, an important position, and that they were planning to assault the center. The latter, say the Russians, is impregnable, but they said that of the center at Liaoyang, which the Japanese penetrated with a flying wedge. The latest news indicates Kuropatkin's withdrawal.

The simple truth is that the Russian in this war has been foredoomed to defeat. He is no match for the warrior from the land of the Samurai. A mujik is not a soldier because he likes to be, but because he has to be; while the Japanese peasant is a soldier by instinct and taste, as well as by patriotism and by eager choice. The Russian people are pastoral, the Japanese militant; the Russian army or navy officer is a roue, the Japanese officer a professional man who takes himself and his business seriously. There is no logic in the expectation and there never was, that the Russian, whatever temporary successes he might have, could humble the Japanese arms. They are unconquerable by the arms of such a nation as Russia. Indeed, we do not believe that the armies of any continental power could cope with those of Japan in a fair field, where the problem of victory was not to be determined by the factor of money. We are having in 1905, and from the Japanese, what Europe had in 1805 from the newly-awakened French. Old military systems are tottering under the blows of Oyama and Nogi and Kuroki as they did, a century ago, under the blows of Bonaparte and Messena and Ney.

A decisive battle now should go far to restore peace at an early date. Russia is tired of the war and the battle of Mukden, if Kuropatkin is driven back, ought to mark the end of the fighting.

Good program for the Legislature: Don't increase taxation.
Lower the cost of government by dispensing with luxuries.
Put half that may be saved from armories, militia, superfluous salaries, etc., into roads and water.
Increase taxable valuations by opening up the public lands for people who will live on them and improve them. Discourage the policy of leasing lands at a nominal price to people who make no use of them, but are ready to pay a small rental to keep other people from making a living on them.
Pass a bill, in substitution for the costly county act, making various local officers elective.
Pay the school teachers fair salaries.

This Legislature is an improvement on its predecessors and an example, thus far in its work, for Legislatures that are to come. If it makes good it will get through in thirty days and leave the Territory without new burdens and with old ones lightened.

Detective Hatter left a few days too soon. His views about the Stanford mystery would be worth having.

REALTY TRANSACTIONS.

Entered for Record March 1, 1905.
Chun Pon to Hee Yick et al. \$500
Peter F. Dubois and wife to Mrs. Augusta Monteiro \$100
Augusta Monteiro and husband to Peter F. Dubois \$100
Johanna G. Marshall and husband to Phoenix Sav Bldg & Loan Assn. \$100
Washington Mercantile Co Ltd by Theodore F. Lansing by mortgage to William R. Castle Tr \$100

Recorded Feb 16, 1905.
Western & Hawn Investment Co Ltd to John S. McGrew, Rel: per gr 3773 and bldgs, Thurston and Spencer Aves, Honolulu, Oahu. \$3500. B 192, p 167. Dated Jan 24, 1905.
Chung Fook et al to Tong Wo Cheong Co, B S: 15 shares in Tong Wo Cheong Co, Honolulu, Oahu. \$750. B 274, p 42. Dated Aug 30, 1904.
Est of S G Wilder Ltd to Notice. Notice: apply for Reg Title of kul 1145, No 1903 and gr 1303, Kuakini St, Honolulu, Oahu. B 274, p 44. Dated Feb 15, 1905.

Lam Sam to J L T Chin, A L: per bond, Kaula, Honolulu, Oahu. \$1. B 263, p 267. Dated June 2, 1903.
W J White Tr to Bd of Hawn Evangelical Assn, A M: mtg M J Bush and husband on 10764 sq ft land, Pauko, Honolulu, Oahu. \$1254. B 250, p 240. Dated Feb 10, 1905.

Chas P. Kalketka and wife to Allen & Robinson Ltd, M: lot 5, bldgs, etc, Grote tract, Puunui, Honolulu, Oahu. \$400. B 262, p 322. Dated Feb 16, 1905.
G J Walker to Allen & Robinson Ltd, A M: mtg J Kanoho and wife on por R P 1302 bldgs, etc, Puunui tract, Honolulu, Oahu. \$1. B 243, p 295. Dated Feb 11, 1905.

THE SENATE

(Continued from page 1.)

by that body of Messrs. Harris, Rice, Fernandez, Nakuna and Kanoho as members of the Joint Committee to consider loan bill appropriations. The president took occasion to mention that a mistake was made in appointing six members of the Senate, to correct which Senator Brown had volunteered to withdraw from the committee.

Achi introduced a joint resolution to authorize the Government to acquire land for making an addition to Ala park, which was referred to the Public Lands Committee.

A letter from Secretary Atkinson announced that the Governor had signed the joint resolution empowering a Joint Committee of the Legislature of 1905 to burn up or destroy all paid-up warrants of the government which were paid on or before December 31, 1902.

The following communication was read and referred to the Public Expenditures Committee:

"Honolulu, T. H., Feb. 27, 1905.
"Hon. Paul R. Isenberg, Speaker of the Senate, Honolulu, Oahu.

"Dear Sir: We beg to submit a figure to do the boat work for the pilots of Honolulu harbor.

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"Yours respectfully,
"YOUNG BROTHERS.
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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Senator Dowsett presented a report of the Ways and Means Committee on the bill relating to the Registrar of Conveyances. It submitted amendments to make the act refer to the Revised Laws of Hawaii instead of the old Civil Code, etc. Tabled to be considered with the bill.

The Judiciary Committee reported on the House concurrent resolution to send a memorial to Congress in favor of native Hawaiian jurors in certain cases. They found that a similar resolution was passed by the legislature of 1903 and forwarded to Washington, so that Congress had full knowledge of the subject. Besides, the measure would greatly increase the costs of courts. Therefore, they recommended that the resolution be laid on the table. Adopted.

The Public Lands Committee recommended laying on the table a petition from Maui for new school buildings at Pala and Kihel, as the Board of Education in its estimates for the loan bill had placed \$7000 for school house and cottage at Kihel. Adopted.

The Public Lands Committee reported its approval of the Senate bill providing that the government may take portions of land out of the forest reserves if the Governor and Land Commissioner deem it expedient to do so. On motion of Chairman McCandless, the report was laid on the table to be considered with a minority report which Senator Woods was going to present.

Senator Dowsett presented a report of the Ways and Means Committee on the Senate bill relating to the duties of the Registrar of Conveyances, recommending its passage. Laid on the table to be considered with the bill.

A report of the Education Committee on the petition for \$2500 for a school building at Honouapou recommended \$1,500. Referred to Joint Committee on loan bill.

The Public Lands Committee reported favorably on two certain petitions relative to pounds and estrays, "providing that there will be enough of funds to meet the demands," but recommended that the petitions be laid on the table, because the committee had been informed by a member of the Senate that in a few days he would introduce a bill covering the matter. Adopted.

NEW BILLS.

Bills were introduced and passed to the Printing Committee as follows:

By Paris: To amend the law relating to the appointment and removal of district magistrates.

By Achi: To provide for publication of the decisions of the United States District Court.

By Achi: To amend Section 2685, R. L., so as to provide a fine of \$1 for any one violating market regulations with reference only to the sale of poi, fish, crawfish, oysters or shell fish, beef, and pork.

By Achi: To repeal Sections 2683, 2684 and 2686 of the Revised Laws.

By Achi: To amend Section 50, R. L., to provide that an applicant for registration as a voter may appeal from the refusal of the board to register him, and that any legal voter may appeal from the decision of the board to register any name, in either case to the Supreme Court, within ten days after the decision of the board from which an appeal is taken.

By Achi: To amend Section 86, R. L., relating to the manner of marking ballots by voters.

By Achi: A bill relating to masters in chancery and probate.

By Bishop: To amend Section 3195, R. L., relating to vagrancy and disorderly persons.

By Dowsett: To provide for the making of public reports by bankers, trust companies, building and loan associations, etc.

By Kalamia: Providing for and regulating the suppression of diseases among animals.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

The Senate Bill relating to the Registrar of Conveyances passed third reading unanimously on the roll call.

The Senate Bill relating to bonds of Territorial officers, after some amendments thereto, also passed third reading without a negative vote.

The Senate Bill relating to the filing of maps in the Registry of Conveyances passed second reading, to be read a third time today.

The Senate Bill to provide for the protection of trade-marks, etc., of corporations, partnerships and individuals, passed second reading, to be read a third time on Friday.

The Senate Bill to facilitate the collection of certain debts due the Territory of Hawaii was deferred, on second

and reading, to await a report from the Public Expenditures Committee.

MEMORY OF MRS. STANFORD.
The table being now cleared of business, Achi moved that when the Senate adjourned it be for the remainder of the day out of respect to the memory of the late Mrs. Jane L. Stanford, a prominent lady of California, as the mover said, who had died while visiting Honolulu. The motion carried and at 11:30 the Senate adjourned for the day.

THE HOUSE.

The best news that the House of Representatives has received for many a day was comprehended in a message from Territorial Secretary A. L. C. Atkinson, which was read shortly before adjournment yesterday afternoon. It ran thus:

Hon. Eric A. Knudsen, Speaker of the House of Representatives—

Sir: It affords me pleasure to notify your Honorable body that I have just received a cable from Washington to the effect that the bill appropriating \$150,000 for experimenting and testing with cures for leprosy in Hawaii has just passed the United States Senate. It had already passed the House of Representatives.

Respectfully,
A. L. C. ATKINSON,
Secy. of Hawaii.

The reading of the letter and its subsequent translation into the Hawaiian tongue were received with fervent applause, not only by the House, but by the onlookers as well.

A DULL DAY.

On the whole, the day's session was a dull one. The news of the death of Mrs. Stanford under such startling circumstances threw a gloom over the House and when a recess was taken at noon it was with the understanding that an adjournment would be taken as soon as business could be wound up in the afternoon, in respect to the memory of the deceased lady who was so well known and respected in Hawaii.

President Pinkham of the Board of Health submitted an itemized list of all incidental expenditures of his department from July 1 to December 31, 1904. It amounted to \$1,947.53.

Auditor Fisher's statement for expenses in the auditing department for the six months showed an expenditure of \$766.50.

A list of all holding keys for police call boxes was submitted by the High Sheriff for the use of the Police Committee.

STILL MORE BILLS.

The new bills introduced and read a first time by title were:

To amend the act relating to vehicles' tires and wheels. (Holstein.)

To provide for the publication of the decisions of the United States District Court for Hawaii. (Cox.)

To amend Section 2685 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii. (Cox.)

To amend Section 86 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii. (Cox.)

For the relief of J. Goldstein. (Fernandez.)

To define the crime of usury and provide for the punishment thereof. (Coelho.)

To provide procedure for partition of real property. (Andrade.)

AS TO WATER RIGHTS.

The following resolutions were presented:

That the Superintendent of Public Works appoint a commission to decide water rights values in Palolo valley and report within fifteen days. (Long.)

That the Superintendent of Public Works be asked: (1) Has any bid been accepted on a new insane asylum building; (2) if so, why has not same been built?

That the Superintendent of Public Works appoint commissioners to determine the value of Kalihi valley water rights and report in fifteen days. (Nakuna.)

To appropriate \$6500 for constructing an intake basin for the Waimea water works. (Sheldon.)

For \$10,000 for the reconstruction of the Kolea water works. (Sheldon.)

That the Committee on Public Lands be requested to find out what will be the cost of the land between Ala Park, King street, Ala Lane and Beretania street and report within five days. (Broad.)

The joint resolution of the Senate to present copies of the Revised Laws to the Code Commissioners was concurred in and an item to cover the cost will be placed in the appropriation bill.

Rep. Fernandez made one of his characteristically impassioned orations when he kicked because the different bills had been printed in English and only typewritten in Hawaiian. He wanted to know why and he used a capital W when he said it. He pounded his desk nobly, despite the assurances of Chairman Greenwell of the Printing Committee that only motives of economy dictated the idea.

HARRIS STOLE THUNDER.

At the opening of the afternoon session Chairman Rice of the Special Committee on the County Bill stated that it had been found impossible to take up all of the other bills relating to county matters. The other minor bills were therefore returned.

Then Rep. Harris committed larceny. He absolutely stole all of Fernandez's thunder and purloined a portion of his lightning as well by moving that all bills be printed in English as well as in Hawaiian, and the motion went through without a dissenting voice.

THE REFERENCE COMMITTEE.

The following recommendations were made by the Reference Committee on the bills referred to:

Act providing licenses (Broad), to be tabled, as a Senate bill is pending.

Act relating to the retailing of intoxicating liquor (Mahaione), to be tabled, Senate bill pending.

Act to amend the Civil Code relating to summary proceedings to recover possession of land (Broad), to be tabled, Senate bill pending.

Rules for administering oaths and holding elections (Broad), indefinitely postponed by request.

Act creating city and county of Honolulu and providing for government thereof (Mahaione), referred to County Committee.

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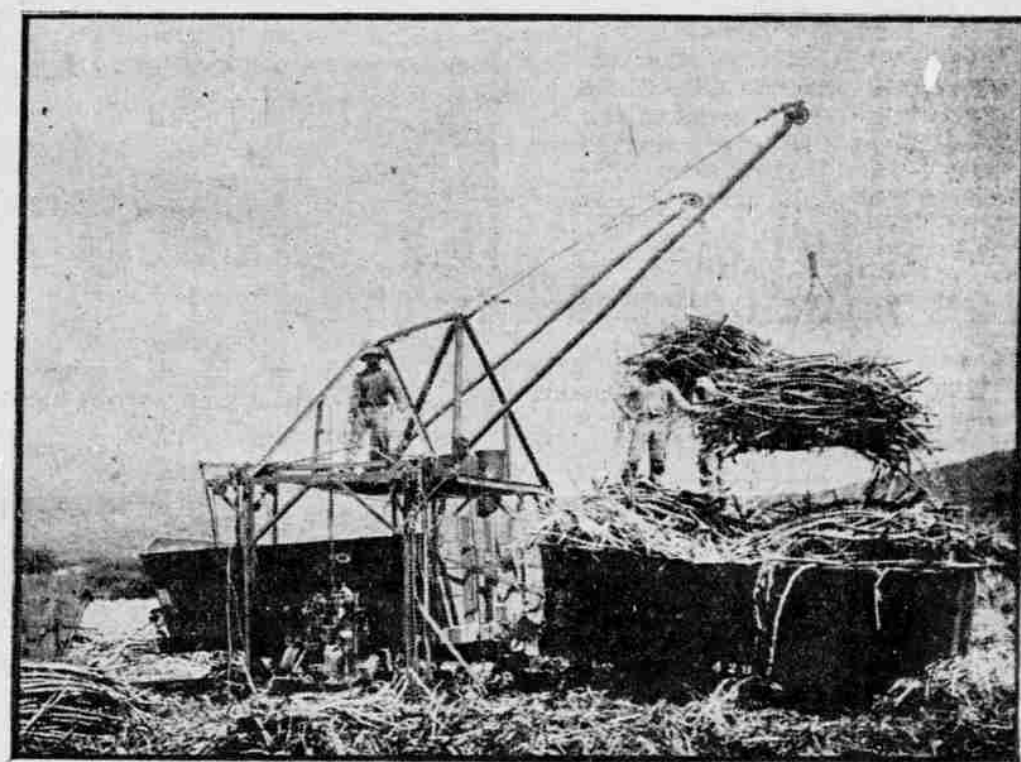
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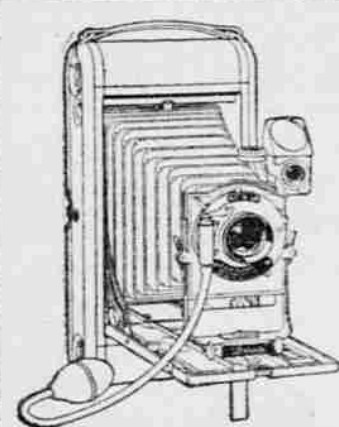


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